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February 7, 2019

Racquel Fisher
Owner
The Mutt Hut
708 W. Graham Street
Shelby, North Carolina 28073

Notice of Warning and Notice of Deficiency

Re: Violation of Title 02, N. C. Administrative Code ("NCAC") Chapter 52J, Sections .0102(1) and (2); .0103; .0202(d); .0203(a) and (b); and .0204(a) and (c).

AWS-WL-2019-4

Boarding Kennel: The Mutt Hut
License No. 11421

Dear Ms. Fisher:

The Animal Welfare Section ("AWS") of the Veterinary Division of the N. C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services ("NCDA&CS") has conducted three facility compliance inspections of The Mutt Hut located at 318 Laurel Avenue, Grover, N.C. ("the kennel"). The facility compliance inspections occurred on August 13, 2018, December 4, 2018 and February 6, 2019. All three facility inspections were marked "Disapproved" due to the number and severity of violations of the N.C. Animal Welfare Act ("AWA") and its associated regulations. Copies of the facility compliance inspection reports are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

AWS notes the following findings:

1. During the August 13, 2018 facility compliance inspection, the kennel was noted to be in violation of: 02 NCAC 52J .0202(d); .0203(a) and (b); .0204(a) and (b); .0207(b)(3)(a); .0207(c); and .0209(5).
2. General comments for the August 13, 2018 facility compliance inspection report included: Repair and seal floors in rooms #1, 3, 4, 5, & 8; replace damaged wood doors and frames in rooms #1, 5, 6, 8, 9 & 10; repair wall in room #10; repair or replace kennel room #7; due to transfer of ownership, this is a new facility inspection, this facility is not in compliance due to

several inadequacies. Currently this facility is unlicensed, I advised the new owner that animals must be removed within 5 days and not returned to the facility until the facility is in compliance.

3. During the December 4, 2018 facility compliance inspection, the kennel was noted to be in violation of: 02 NCAC 52J .0201(a), .0202(d) and (e); .0203(a) and (b); and .0204(a).
4. General comments for the December 4, 2018 facility compliance inspection report included: There has been very little improvement since the last inspection on 9/7/18; floors, walls and doors are still damaged and need replacing; floors and kennels are wet; facility has a strong odor; owner understands this inspection is Disapproved and facility has 45 days to be in compliance with all inadequacies;
5. During the February 6, 2019 facility compliance inspection, the kennel was noted to be in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0102(1) and (2); .0103; .0202(d); .0203(a) and (b); .0204(a) and (c);
6. General comments for the February 6, 2019 facility compliance inspection report included: As noted during the last inspection, there has been very little improvement done since the last inspection; many of the floors are still not sealed, doors and door frames still have exposed wood; this facility still has a strong odor; owner states she has been busy and unable to address inadequacies but will have all completed with in 45 days; this is the third Disapproval.

Based on the results of these inspections, you are in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0102(1) and (2); .0103; .0202(d); .0203(a) and (b); and .0204(a) and (c);

Pursuant to N.C. General Statute §19A-30, this Warning Letter, in conjunction with the three enclosed facility compliance inspection reports, serves as written notice indicting the respects in which the shelter is failing to satisfy the requirements for the holding of a certificate of registration as an animal shelter.

The shelter is to submit a detailed time line for corrective actions for all deficiencies described in the three enclosed facility compliance inspection reports within 7 days of the date of receipt of this letter. All corrective actions must be completed within 30 days of the date of receipt of this letter.

Continued or future violation of these statutes or regulations will be considered to be a willful disregard or violation of the same. Such willful disregard or violation of the NC Animal Welfare Act and the rules issued pursuant thereto may result in disciplinary action against your facility's license pursuant to NCGS § 19A-30 and/or the assessment of a civil penalty of up to \$5,000.00 per violation under NCGS § 19A-40.

Your immediate attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,



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Appendix

RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS

§ 19A-30. Refusal, suspension or revocation of certificate or license.

The Director may refuse to issue or renew or may suspend or revoke a certificate of registration for any animal shelter or a license for any public auction, kennel, pet shop, or dealer, if after an impartial investigation as provided in this Article he determines that any one or more of the following grounds apply:

- (1) Material misstatement in the application for the original certificate of registration or license or in the application for any renewal under this Article;
- (2) Willful disregard or violation of this Article or any rules issued pursuant thereto;
- (3) Failure to provide adequate housing facilities and/or primary enclosures for the purposes of this Article, or if the feeding, watering, sanitizing and housing practices at the animal shelter, public auction, pet shop, or kennel are not consistent with the intent of this Article or the rules adopted under this Article;
- (4) Allowing one's license under this Article to be used by an unlicensed person;
- (5) Conviction of any crime an essential element of which is misstatement, fraud, or dishonesty, or conviction of any felony;
- (6) Making substantial misrepresentations or false promises of a character likely to influence, persuade, or induce in connection with the business of a public auction, commercial kennel, pet shop, or dealer;
- (7) Pursuing a continued course of misrepresentation of or making false promises through advertising, salesmen, agents, or otherwise in connection with the business to be licensed;
- (8) Failure to possess the necessary qualifications or to meet the requirements of this Article for the issuance or holding of a certificate of registration or license.

The Director shall, before refusing to issue or renew and before suspension or revocation of a certificate of registration or a license, give to the applicant or holder thereof a written notice containing a statement indicating in what respects the applicant or holder has failed to satisfy the requirements for the holding of a certificate of registration or a license. If a certificate of registration or a license is suspended or revoked under the provisions hereof, the holder shall have five days from such suspension or revocation to surrender all certificates of registration or licenses issued thereunder to the Director or his authorized representative.

A person to whom a certificate of registration or a license is denied, suspended, or revoked by the Director may contest the action by filing a petition under G.S. 150B-23 within five days after the denial, suspension, or revocation.

Any licensee whose license is revoked under the provisions of this Article shall not be eligible to apply for a new license hereunder until one year has elapsed from the date of the order revoking said license or if an appeal is taken from said order of revocation, one year from the date of the order or final judgment sustaining said revocation. Any person who has been an officer, agent, or employee of a licensee whose license has been revoked or suspended and who is responsible for or participated in the violation upon which the order of suspension or revocation was based, shall not be licensed within the period during which the order of suspension or revocation is in effect. (1977, 2nd Sess., c. 1217, s. 11; 1987, c. 827, s. 67.)

§ 19A-40. Civil Penalties.

The Director may assess a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) against any person who violates a provision of this Article or any rule promulgated thereunder. In determining the amount of the penalty, the Director shall consider the degree and extent of harm caused by the violation.

The clear proceeds of civil penalties assessed pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund in accordance with G.S. 115C-457.2. (1995, c. 516, s. 6; 1998-215, s. 3.)

NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS; BOARDING KENNELS

Operators of boarding kennels shall maintain records of all dogs and cats showing the following:

- (1) name and address of owner or person responsible for animal, the date of entry and signature and address of individual to whom animal is released and the date of release;
- (2) description of animal including breed, sex, age and color marking; and

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24; Eff. April 1, 1984; Amended Eff. January 1, 2005.

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

All operators of animal shelters, pet shops, boarding kennels, public auctions, and persons operating as dealers shall make all required records available to the director or his authorized representative on request, during the business and cleaning hours listed on the license application. The operator must be able to match each animal to its record upon request. Records shall be maintained for a period of one year after the animal is released.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24; 19A-25; Eff. April 1, 1984; Amended Eff. January 1, 2005; April 1, 1985.

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

(d) Interior building surfaces of indoor facilities with which animals come in contact shall be constructed and maintained so that they are impervious to moisture, and can be readily sanitized.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24; Eff. April 1, 1984; Amended Eff. January 1, 2005.

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

(a) In outdoor facilities that are subject to the Animal Welfare Act, primary enclosures and walkways with which an animal comes in contact shall be constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. Gravel may be used if maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept in a sanitary manner.

(b) Dogs and cats kept outdoors shall be provided housing to allow them to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. Housing shall be constructed of material which is impervious to moisture and which can be disinfected. One house shall be available for each animal within each enclosure except for a mother and its unweaned offspring.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24; Eff. April 1, 1984; Amended Eff. March 23, 2009; January 1, 2005.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

(a) Primary enclosures shall be constructed so as to prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact shall be impervious to moisture. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood shall be within the animal's reach. For primary enclosures in use in a licensed or registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood must be replaced in a manner that does not permit contact with wood by the animal.

(c) Each primary enclosure shall be provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. All resting surfaces must be of

a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. The resting surface or surfaces shall be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24; Eff. April 1, 1984; Amended Eff. January 1, 2005; April 1, 1985.

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Facility Compliance Inspection - Boarding Kennel

Facility Name: The Mutt Hut	License Number:
Owner: Racquel Fisher	
Address: 318 Laurel Ave	
City: Grover	Zip Code: 28073
County: Cleveland	
Phone: (704)974-8059	Email: Fisherswife83@gmail.com
Latitude: 35.10352	Longitude: 81.27062
Total Enclosures: 20	
Dogs on Premise: 9	Cats on Premise: 0
Licensed Capacity (Dogs): 20	Licensed Capacity (Cats): 0
Type of Inspection: Annual Inspection	Date of Inspection: 08/13/2018

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS

1. Name and address of owner, date of entry, signature and date for release. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(1)] - In Compliance
2. Description [02 NCAC 52J .0102(2)] - In Compliance
3. Record of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(3)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. Records available upon request. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
2. Animals matched to record. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
3. Records retained for 1 year; [02 NCAC 52J .0103]; see section for §19A-32.1(j) for records to be retained for 3 years - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0201 GENERAL

1. Housing facilities structurally sound and maintained in good repair. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
2. Housing facilities contain the animals and restrict entry of other animals and people. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
3. Light fixtures and electrical outlets in animal areas in compliance with the State Building Code. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(b)] - In Compliance
4. Electric power reliable and safe. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(c)] - In Compliance
5. Supplies of food and bedding stored and adequately protected against infestation or contamination by vermin and insects. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
6. Open bags of food stored in airtight containers with lids. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
7. Refrigeration for perishable food. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
8. Daily removal and disposal of animal and food waste, bedding and debris; facility maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(e)] - Needs Improvement
9. Hot and cold running, potable water available. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
10. Washroom, basin or sink provided to maintain cleanliness among animal caretakers, animals, and animal food and water receptacles. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
11. Ability to confirm ambient temperature. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(g)] - In Compliance
12. A separate five-foot perimeter fence if any animals have access to an outdoor enclosure, including unsupervised exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0101(h)] - In Compliance
13. Adequate drainage system. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(i)] - In Compliance
14. All areas of a facility available for review or inspection during normal business hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(j)] - In Compliance
15. All animals in a facility subject to the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, regardless of ownership. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(k)] - In Compliance
16. Compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances relating to or affecting the welfare of dogs and cats in its facility. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(l)] - In Compliance
17. No dog or cat present in a window display except during business hours and in compliance with standards set forth in this Section. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(m)] - In Compliance

Walls in kennels need to be cleaned

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

1. Indoor housing facilities adequately heated and cooled. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
2. Ambient temperature between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
3. Indoor housing facilities adequately ventilated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
4. Fresh air and ventilation provided and drafts minimized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
5. Air flow adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
6. Indoor housing facilities adequately illuminated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
7. Illumination provides regular diurnal lighting cycles and be uniformly diffused [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
8. Interior building surfaces are impervious to moisture and can be readily sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(d)] - Not In Compliance
9. Drainage rapidly eliminates excess water. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
10. Closed drain systems equipped with traps and installed to prevent odors and backup of sewage. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
11. The drainage system constructed to prevent cross-contamination among animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

Multiple walls and doors are not impervious to moisture, all wood must be removed and other surfaces not impervious to moisture must be sealed.

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

1. Primary enclosures and walkways constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not In Compliance
2. One house available for each animal within each enclosure unless the animals are a mother and her unweaned offspring. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not In Compliance

All outside kennels must be resurfaced and sealed, each animal must have a dog house.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

1. Primary enclosures constructed prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
2. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
3. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood within the animal's reach. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
4. For primary enclosures in use in a registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood replaced so that so that there's no contact with wood by the animal. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
5. Primary enclosures structurally sound, maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals, and keep other animals out. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - Not In Compliance
6. Primary enclosures provide space to allow animal to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
7. The height of primary enclosures other than cage no less than five feet. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
8. All enclosures constructed as to prevent the escape of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
9. Each primary enclosure provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
10. All resting surfaces made of a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
11. The resting surface or surfaces be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
12. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each dog shall be provided with the minimum square footage required by 02 NCAC .0204(d). [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
13. Not more than four adult dogs housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
14. If more than four dogs are housed in a common area or enclosure, then at least one person supervising each 10 dogs housed within each enclosure or common area. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(e)] - In Compliance
15. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each feline older than six months housed in any primary enclosure provided with a minimum of 4sq ft. of floor space which may include elevated resting surfaces. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
16. Each feline younger than 6 months provided 1.5 sq. ft. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
17. No more than 12 cats housed in the same primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
18. In all cat enclosures, receptacle with clean litter provided for waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(g)] - Not Applicable
19. A minimum of one receptacle per three cats shall be provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(i)] - Not Applicable

All wood must be removed from rooms that houses dogs, floors must be seal and impervious to moisture. Fencing in room number 2 need rust removed and sealed, Damaged fencing in several kennels must be repaired or replaced.

02 NCAC 52J .0205 FEEDING

Dogs and cats fed at least once each 24-hour period except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)]

1. Food is commercially prepared food complying with laws applicable to animal feed or the food provided by the owner. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
2. The food is free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of adequate quality and quantity appropriate for the given size, age, and condition of an animal meeting the daily requirements for nutritional value. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
3. Puppies and kittens less than six months of age fed at least twice in each 24-hour period. An eight-hour interval between feedings if only two feedings are offered in a 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
4. Food receptacles accessible to all dogs or cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
5. Food receptacles located to minimize contamination by waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
6. For every adult animal, at least one food receptacle offered. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
7. Food receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
8. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
9. Disposable food receptacles discarded after each feeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
10. Food and water receptacles in outdoor facilities protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(c)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0206 WATERING

1. Continuous access to fresh water, except as might otherwise be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
2. Watering receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
3. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

1. Waste removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats and to reduce disease hazards and odors. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
2. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
3. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
4. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, animals are removed during the cleaning process, and measures taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
5. Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories sanitized in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
6. In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days, enclosures and accessories sanitized at least once every seven days in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
7. Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs be sanitized by:
 - washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or - **Not In Compliance**
 - washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or - In Compliance
 - cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(3)(A-C)] - Not Applicable
8. Food and water receptacles sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4)] - In Compliance
9. Soiled linens and cloth products mechanically washed with detergent and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(5)] - In Compliance
10. Any area accessible to multiple animals kept clean and sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(6)] - In Compliance
11. Premises (buildings and grounds) kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
12. Premises are free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
13. Weeds, grasses, and bushes controlled. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - **Not In Compliance**
14. Effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests [02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - In Compliance

Hot Water temp reached 120 degrees , hot water for sanitizing must reach 180 degrees. Weeds must be removed from outside kennels.

02 NCAC 52J .0208 EMPLOYEES

1. Sufficient number of employees. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance
2. Supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0209 CLASSIFICATION AND SEPARATION

1. Animals in the same primary enclosure maintained in compatible groups. [02 NCAC 52J .0209] - In Compliance
2. Females in season (estrus) not be housed in the same primary enclosure with males except for planned breeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(1)] - In Compliance
3. Written permission for comingling. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
4. Aggressive animals housed individually in a primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
5. Puppies or kittens less than four months of age housed in the same primary enclosure with adults without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
6. Puppies or kittens between 4 and 16 weeks of age have daily access to human social interaction. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
7. Dogs not housed in the same primary enclosure with cats; dogs or cats not housed in the same primary enclosure with any other species of animals without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(4)] - In Compliance
8. Designated isolation area for animals being treated or observed for communicable diseases. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
9. Dogs or cats in isolation that are being treated for a communicable disease separated as to minimize dissemination of disease. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
10. A sign posted at the cage or isolation area when in use. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - **Not In Compliance**
11. All animals confined in primary enclosures or exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(7)] - In Compliance

No signs were posted on cages or isolation areas

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

1. Written program of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] - In Compliance
2. Veterinarian's written recommendations for correcting disease problem that persists for more than 30 days obtained and followed [02 NCAC 52J .0210(b)] - In Compliance
3. Daily observation of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
4. Sick or diseased, injured, lame, or blind dogs or cats provided with veterinary care [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
5. Diseased or deformed animals sold or adopted only under the policy set forth in the "Program of Veterinary Care." [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
6. All animals in a licensed or registered facility in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0301 VEHICLES

1. Vehicles mechanically sound. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Vehicles equipped to provide fresh air to animals without harmful drafts. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
3. The animal cargo space constructed and maintained to prevent engine exhaust fumes from getting to the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(b)] - Not Applicable
4. The interior of the animal cargo space kept clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(c)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .00302 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED IN TRANSPORTING DOGS AND CATS

1. Primary enclosures constructed, ventilated and designed to protect the health and insure the safety of the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Such enclosures constructed or positioned so that:
 - Each animal in the vehicle has sufficient fresh air for normal breathing. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(1)] - Not Applicable
 - The openings of enclosures are easily accessible for emergency removals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(2)] - Not Applicable
 - The animals are adequately protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(3)] - Not Applicable
3. The ambient temperature maintained between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
4. The animal containment units are equipped with operable air-conditioning, forced-air cooling and heating or other temperature control mechanisms. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Animals in the same primary enclosure are of the same species. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
6. Puppies or kittens less than 4 months of age not be transported in the same primary enclosures with adults other than their dams. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
7. Primary enclosures for transport large enough for each animal to turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit or lie down in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
8. Primary enclosures for transport secured to the vehicle to prevent sliding or tipping of the enclosure during transit. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
9. Animals not be placed in primary enclosure over other animals in transit unless such enclosures is constructed so as to prevent animal excreta from entering lower enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(d)] - Not Applicable
10. All primary enclosures for transport sanitized between use for shipments. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(e)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0303 FOOD AND WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. If animals are transported for more than 12 hours:
 - The vehicles stop at least once every 12 hours for a period of 1 hour. During the 1-hour stop, potable water continuously provided for dogs and cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(1)] - Not Applicable
 - Adult dogs and cats fed at least once during each 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - Puppies and kittens less than 6 months of age fed every 6 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - Dogs removed from the vehicle, given fresh water and given the opportunity for exercise if they have been confined in the vehicle for 36 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(3)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0304 CARE IN TRANSIT


1. The attendant or driver inspects animals frequently enough to assure health and comfort and to determine if they need emergency care and to obtain it if needed. [02 NCAC 52J .0304] - Not Applicable

General Comments:

Repair and seal floors in rooms # 1, 3, 4, 5 & 8. Replaced damaged wood doors and frames in rooms # 1, 5, 6, 8, 9 & 10. Repair wall in room # 10, repair or replace kennel room # 7. Due to transfer of owner ship this is a new facility inspection, this facility is not in compliance due to several inadequacies. Currently this facility is unlicensed I advised new owner animals must be removed within 5 days and not returned to facility until facility is in compliance. Photo's on one drive

Inspection Result:

Disapproved

Inspector's Signature	Date
 Jay Blatche	08/13/2018
Facility Representative's Signature	Date
Brian Philveck	08/13/2018

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Facility Compliance Inspection - Boarding Kennel

Facility Name: MUTT HUT, THE	License Number: 11421
Owner: RACQUEL FISHER	
Address: 318 LAUREL AVE	
City: GROVER	Zip Code: 28073
County: CLEVELAND	
Phone: (704)974-8059	Email: MUTTHUTBOARDING@YAHOO.COM
Latitude: 35.10352	Longitude: 81.27062
Total Enclosures: 20	
Dogs on Premise: 7	Cats on Premise: 0
Licensed Capacity (Dogs): 20	Licensed Capacity (Cats): 0
Type of Inspection: Follow-up Inspection	Date of Inspection: 12/04/2018

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS

1. Name and address of owner, date of entry, signature and date for release. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(1)] - In Compliance
2. Description [02 NCAC 52J .0102(2)] - In Compliance
3. Record of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(3)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. Records available upon request. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
2. Animals matched to record. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
3. Records retained for 1 year; [02 NCAC 52J .0103]; see section for §19A-32.1(j) for records to be retained for 3 years - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0201 GENERAL

1. Housing facilities structurally sound and maintained in good repair. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
2. Housing facilities contain the animals and restrict entry of other animals and people. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
3. Light fixtures and electrical outlets in animal areas in compliance with the State Building Code. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(b)] - In Compliance
4. Electric power reliable and safe. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(c)] - In Compliance
5. Supplies of food and bedding stored and adequately protected against infestation or contamination by vermin and insects. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
6. Open bags of food stored in airtight containers with lids. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
7. Refrigeration for perishable food. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
8. Daily removal and disposal of animal and food waste, bedding and debris; facility maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(e)] - In Compliance
9. Hot and cold running, potable water available. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
10. Washroom, basin or sink provided to maintain cleanliness among animal caretakers, animals, and animal food and water receptacles. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
11. Ability to confirm ambient temperature. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(g)] - In Compliance
12. A separate five-foot perimeter fence if any animals have access to an outdoor enclosure, including unsupervised exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(h)] - In Compliance
13. Adequate drainage system. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(i)] - In Compliance
14. All areas of a facility available for review or inspection during normal business hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(j)] - In Compliance
15. All animals in a facility subject to the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, regardless of ownership. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(k)] - In Compliance
16. Compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances relating to or affecting the welfare of dogs and cats in its facility. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(l)] - Not Applicable
17. No dog or cat present in a window display except during business hours and in compliance with standards set forth in this Section. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(m)] - In Compliance

Floors and doors in several areas have not been repaired or replaced since last inspection.

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

1. Indoor housing facilities adequately heated and cooled. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
2. Ambient temperature between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
3. Indoor housing facilities adequately ventilated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
4. Fresh air and ventilation provided and drafts minimized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
5. Air flow adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
6. Indoor housing facilities adequately illuminated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
7. Illumination provides regular diurnal lighting cycles and be uniformly diffused [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
8. Interior building surfaces are impervious to moisture and can be readily sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(d)] - Not In Compliance
9. Drainage rapidly eliminates excess water. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - Not In Compliance
10. Closed drain systems equipped with traps and installed to prevent odors and backup of sewage. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
11. The drainage system constructed to prevent cross-contamination among animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

Multiple floors and walls not impervious to moisture, floors were wet during this inspection staff states "mops do not dry floors leaves a lot of water on floors": Purchase different types of mops or dry floors with towels.

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

1. Primary enclosures and walkways constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not In Compliance
2. Gravel maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not Applicable
3. Outdoor housing provided allows animals to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - In Compliance
4. Housing is impervious to moisture and can be disinfected. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - In Compliance
5. One house available for each animal within each enclosure unless the animals are a mother and her unweaned offspring. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not In Compliance
6. In addition to the housing, the enclosure provides protection from excessive sun and inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(c)] - In Compliance
7. Owners advised if housed outside. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(d)] - In Compliance
8. Suitable method of drainage provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(e)] - In Compliance

Do not use back outside kennels until all kennels are sealed, each outside kennel must have a dog house if facility is not staffed.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

1. Primary enclosures constructed prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
2. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
3. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood within the animal's reach. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
4. For primary enclosures in use in a registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood replaced so that so that there's no contact with wood by the animal. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
5. Primary enclosures structurally sound, maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals, and keep other animals out. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
6. Primary enclosures provide space to allow animal to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
7. The height of primary enclosures other than cage no less than five feet. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
8. All enclosures constructed as to prevent the escape of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
9. Each primary enclosure provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
10. All resting surfaces made of a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
11. The resting surface or surfaces be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
12. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each dog shall be provided with the minimum square footage required by 02 NCAC .0204(d). [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
13. Not more than four adult dogs housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
14. If more than four dogs are housed in a common area or enclosure, then at least one person supervising each 10 dogs housed within each enclosure or common area. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(e)] - In Compliance
15. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each feline older than six months housed in any primary enclosure provided with a minimum of 4sq ft. of floor space which may include elevated resting surfaces. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
16. Each feline younger than 6 months provided 1.5 sq. ft. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
17. No more than 12 cats housed in the same primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
18. In all cat enclosures, receptacle with clean litter provided for waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(g)] - Not Applicable

Wood doors in rooms 5, 1, 6, & 3 must be replaced as noted during last inspection; Replace floors in rooms 10, 5, 1, 8, 9 & 2 as noted during last inspection. Damage Wood cabinets in all rooms must be replaced as noted during last inspection.

02 NCAC 52J .0205 FEEDING

Dogs and cats fed at least once each 24-hour period except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)]

1. Food is commercially prepared food complying with laws applicable to animal feed or the food provided by the owner. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
2. The food is free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of adequate quality and quantity appropriate for the given size, age, and condition of an animal meeting the daily requirements for nutritional value. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
3. Puppies and kittens less than six months of age fed at least twice in each 24-hour period. An eight-hour interval between feedings if only two feedings are offered in a 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance

4. Food receptacles accessible to all dogs or cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
5. Food receptacles located to minimize contamination by waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
6. For every adult animal, at least one food receptacle offered. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
7. Food receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
8. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
9. Disposable food receptacles discarded after each feeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
10. Food and water receptacles in outdoor facilities protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(c)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0206 WATERING

1. Continuous access to fresh water, except as might otherwise be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
2. Watering receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
3. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

1. Waste removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats and to reduce disease hazards and odors. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
2. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
3. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
4. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, animals are removed during the cleaning process, and measures taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
5. Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories sanitized in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
6. In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days, enclosures and accessories sanitized at least once every seven days in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
7. Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs be sanitized by:
 - washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or - In Compliance
 - washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or - In Compliance
 - cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(3)(A-C)] - In Compliance
8. Food and water receptacles sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4)] - In Compliance
9. Soiled linens and cloth products mechanically washed with detergent and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(5)] - In Compliance
10. Any area accessible to multiple animals kept clean and sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(6)] - In Compliance
11. Premises (buildings and grounds) kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
12. Premises are free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
13. Weeds, grasses, and bushes controlled. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
14. Effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests [02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0208 EMPLOYEES

1. Sufficient number of employees. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance
2. Supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0209 CLASSIFICATION AND SEPARATION

1. Animals in the same primary enclosure maintained in compatible groups. [02 NCAC 52J .0209] - In Compliance
2. Females in season (estrus) not be housed in the same primary enclosure with males except for planned breeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(1)] - In Compliance
3. Written permission for comingling. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
4. Aggressive animals housed individually in a primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
5. Puppies or kittens less than four months of age housed in the same primary enclosure with adults without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
6. Puppies or kittens between 4 and 16 weeks of age have daily access to human social interaction. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
7. Dogs not housed in the same primary enclosure with cats; dogs or cats not housed in the same primary enclosure with any other species of animals without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(4)] - In Compliance
8. Designated isolation area for animals being treated or observed for communicable diseases. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
9. Dogs or cats in isolation that are being treated for a communicable disease separated as to minimize dissemination of disease. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
10. A sign posted at the cage or isolation area when in use. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
11. All animals confined in primary enclosures or exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(7)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

1. Written program of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] - In Compliance
2. Veterinarian's written recommendations for correcting disease problem that persists for more than 30 days obtained and followed [02 NCAC 52J .0210(b)] - In Compliance
3. Daily observation of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
4. Sick or diseased, injured, lame, or blind dogs or cats provided with veterinary care [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
5. Diseased or deformed animals sold or adopted only under the policy set forth in the "Program of Veterinary Care." [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance

6. All animals in a licensed or registered facility in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0301 VEHICLES

1. Vehicles mechanically sound. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Vehicles equipped to provide fresh air to animals without harmful drafts. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
3. The animal cargo space constructed and maintained to prevent engine exhaust fumes from getting to the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(b)] - Not Applicable
4. The interior of the animal cargo space kept clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(c)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0302 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED IN TRANSPORTING DOGS AND CATS

1. Primary enclosures constructed, ventilated and designed to protect the health and insure the safety of the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Such enclosures constructed or positioned so that:
 - Each animal in the vehicle has sufficient fresh air for normal breathing. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(1)] - Not Applicable
 - The openings of enclosures are easily accessible for emergency removals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(2)] - Not Applicable
 - The animals are adequately protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(3)] - Not Applicable
3. The ambient temperature maintained between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
4. The animal containment units are equipped with operable air-conditioning, forced-air cooling and heating or other temperature control mechanisms. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Animals in the same primary enclosure are of the same species. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
6. Puppies or kittens less than 4 months of age not be transported in the same primary enclosures with adults other than their dams. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
7. Primary enclosures for transport large enough for each animal to turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit or lie down in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
8. Primary enclosures for transport secured to the vehicle to prevent sliding or tipping of the enclosure during transit. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
9. Animals not be placed in primary enclosure over other animals in transit unless such enclosure is constructed so as to prevent animal excreta from entering lower enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(d)] - Not Applicable
10. All primary enclosures for transport sanitized between use for shipments. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(e)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0303 FOOD AND WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. If animals are transported for more than 12 hours:
 - The vehicles stop at least once every 12 hours for a period of 1 hour. During the 1-hour stop, potable water continuously provided for dogs and cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(1)] - Not Applicable
 - Adult dogs and cats fed at least once during each 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - Puppies and kittens less than 6 months of age fed every 6 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - Dogs removed from the vehicle, given fresh water and given the opportunity for exercise if they have been confined in the vehicle for 36 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(3)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0304 CARE IN TRANSIT


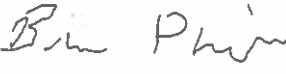
1. The attendant or driver inspects animals frequently enough to assure health and comfort and to determine if they need emergency care and to obtain it if needed. [02 NCAC 52J .0304] - Not Applicable

General Comments:

There has been very little improvements done since last inspection on 09/07/2018. Floors, walls and doors are still damaged and need replacing. Floors and kennels are wet, facility has a strong odor, Inspection on 09/07/2018 was conditionally approved with the understanding improvement would be made. Owner understands this inspection is disapproved and facility has 45 days to be in compliance with all inadequacies I will re-inspect this facility after the 45 day period.

Inspection Result:

Disapproved

Inspector's Signature	Date
 Jay Blatche	12/04/2018
Facility Representative's Signature	Date
 Brian Philbeck	12/04/2018

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Facility Compliance Inspection - Boarding Kennel

Disapproved - 02/06/2019

Facility Name: MUTT HUT, THE	License Number: 11421
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City: GROVER	Zip Code: 28073
County: CLEVELAND	
Phone: (704)974-8059	Email: MUTTHUTBOARDING@YAHOO.COM
Latitude: 35.10352	Longitude: 81.27062
Total Enclosures: 20	
Dogs on Premise: 9	Cats on Premise: 0
Licensed Capacity (Dogs): 20	Licensed Capacity (Cats): 0
Type of Inspection: Follow-up Inspection	Date of Inspection: 02/06/2019

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS

1. Name and address of owner, date of entry, signature and date for release. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(1)] - **Not In Compliance**
2. Description [02 NCAC 52J .0102(2)] - **Not In Compliance**
3. Record of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(3)] - **In Compliance**

One of the 9 dogs is a boarder; owner has no information other than the immunization record.

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. Records available upon request. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - **Not In Compliance**
2. Animals matched to record. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - **Not In Compliance**

no records for boarder dog named maya.

02 NCAC 52J .0201 GENERAL

1. Housing facilities structurally sound and maintained in good repair. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - **In Compliance**
2. Housing facilities contain the animals and restrict entry of other animals and people. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - **In Compliance**
3. Light fixtures and electrical outlets in animal areas in compliance with the State Building Code. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(b)] - **In Compliance**
4. Electric power reliable and safe. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(c)] - **In Compliance**
5. Supplies of food and bedding stored and adequately protected against infestation or contamination by vermin and insects. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - **In Compliance**
6. Open bags of food stored in airtight containers with lids. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - **In Compliance**
7. Refrigeration for perishable food. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - **In Compliance**
8. Daily removal and disposal of animal and food waste, bedding and debris; facility maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(e)] - **In Compliance**
9. Hot and cold running, potable water available. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - **In Compliance**
10. Washroom, basin or sink provided to maintain cleanliness among animal caretakers, animals, and animal food and water receptacles. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - **In Compliance**
11. Ability to confirm ambient temperature. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(g)] - **In Compliance**
12. A separate five-foot perimeter fence if any animals have access to an outdoor enclosure, including unsupervised exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(h)] - **In Compliance**
13. Adequate drainage system. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(i)] - **In Compliance**
14. All areas of a facility available for review or inspection during normal business hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(j)] - **In Compliance**
15. All animals in a facility subject to the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, regardless of ownership. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(k)] - **In Compliance**
16. Compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances relating to or affecting the welfare of dogs and cats in its facility. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(l)] - **In Compliance**

17. No dog or cat present in a window display except during business hours and in compliance with standards set forth in this Section. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(m)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

1. Indoor housing facilities adequately heated and cooled. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
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3. Indoor housing facilities adequately ventilated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
4. Fresh air and ventilation provided and drafts minimized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
5. Air flow adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
6. Indoor housing facilities adequately illuminated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
7. Illumination provides regular diurnal lighting cycles and be uniformly diffused [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
8. Interior building surfaces are impervious to moisture and can be readily sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(d)] - Not In Compliance
9. Drainage rapidly eliminates excess water. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
10. Closed drain systems equipped with traps and installed to prevent odors and backup of sewage. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
11. The drainage system constructed to prevent cross-contamination among animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

Wood doors and frames need replacing or repairing in rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 as noted during last inspection.

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

1. Primary enclosures and walkways constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not In Compliance
2. Gravel maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not Applicable
3. Outdoor housing provided allows animals to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - In Compliance
4. Housing is impervious to moisture and can be disinfected. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not In Compliance
5. One house available for each animal within each enclosure unless the animals are a mother and her unweaned offspring. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - In Compliance
6. In addition to the housing, the enclosure provides protection from excessive sun and inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(c)] - In Compliance
7. Owners advised if housed outside. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(d)] - In Compliance
8. Suitable method of drainage provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(e)] - Not Applicable

No repairs have been done to outside back kennels, owner states these kennels are not being used as instructed during last inspection.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

1. Primary enclosures constructed prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
2. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
3. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood within the animal's reach. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
4. For primary enclosures in use in a registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood replaced so that so that there's no contact with wood by the animal. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not In Compliance
5. Primary enclosures structurally sound, maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals, and keep other animals out. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
6. Primary enclosures provide space to allow animal to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
7. The height of primary enclosures other than cage no less than five feet. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
8. All enclosures constructed as to prevent the escape of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
9. Each primary enclosure provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - Not In Compliance
10. All resting surfaces made of a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - Not In Compliance
11. The resting surface or surfaces be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - Not Applicable
12. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each dog shall be provided with the minimum square footage required by 02 NCAC .0204(d). [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
13. Not more than four adult dogs housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
14. If more than four dogs are housed in a common area or enclosure, then at least one person supervising each 10 dogs housed within each enclosure or common area. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(e)] - In Compliance
15. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each feline older than six months housed in any primary enclosure provided with a minimum of 4sq ft. of floor space which may include elevated resting surfaces. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
16. Each feline younger than 6 months provided 1.5 sq. ft. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
17. No more than 12 cats housed in the same primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
18. In all cat enclosures, receptacle with clean litter provided for waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(g)] - Not Applicable
19. A minimum of one receptacle per three cats shall be provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable

Several of the dogs did not have resting surfaces in kennels

02 NCAC 52J .0205 FEEDING

Dogs and cats fed at least once each 24-hour period except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)]

1. Food is commercially prepared food complying with laws applicable to animal feed or the food provided by the owner. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance

2. The food is free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of adequate quality and quantity appropriate for the given size, age, and condition of an animal meeting the daily requirements for nutritional value. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
3. Puppies and kittens less than six months of age fed at least twice in each 24-hour period. An eight-hour interval between feedings if only two feedings are offered in a 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
4. Food receptacles accessible to all dogs or cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
5. Food receptacles located to minimize contamination by waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
6. For every adult animal, at least one food receptacle offered. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
7. Food receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
8. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
9. Disposable food receptacles discarded after each feeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
10. Food and water receptacles in outdoor facilities protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(c)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0206 WATERING

1. Continuous access to fresh water, except as might otherwise be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
2. Watering receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
3. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

1. Waste removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats and to reduce disease hazards and odors. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
2. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
3. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
4. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, animals are removed during the cleaning process, and measures taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
5. Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories sanitized in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
6. In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days, enclosures and accessories sanitized at least once every seven days in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
7. Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs be sanitized by:
 - washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or - In Compliance
 - washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or - In Compliance
 - cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(3)(A-C)] - Not Applicable
8. Food and water receptacles sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4)] - In Compliance
9. Soiled linens and cloth products mechanically washed with detergent and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(5)] - In Compliance
10. Any area accessible to multiple animals kept clean and sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(6)] - In Compliance
11. Premises (buildings and grounds) kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
12. Premises are free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
13. Weeds, grasses, and bushes controlled. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
14. Effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests [02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0208 EMPLOYEES

1. Sufficient number of employees. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance
2. Supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0209 CLASSIFICATION AND SEPARATION

1. Animals in the same primary enclosure maintained in compatible groups. [02 NCAC 52J .0209] - In Compliance
2. Females in season (estrus) not be housed in the same primary enclosure with males except for planned breeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(1)] - In Compliance
3. Written permission for comingling. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
4. Aggressive animals housed individually in a primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
5. Puppies or kittens less than four months of age housed in the same primary enclosure with adults without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
6. Puppies or kittens between 4 and 16 weeks of age have daily access to human social interaction. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
7. Dogs not housed in the same primary enclosure with cats; dogs or cats not housed in the same primary enclosure with any other species of animals without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(4)] - In Compliance
8. Designated isolation area for animals being treated or observed for communicable diseases. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
9. Dogs or cats in isolation that are being treated for a communicable disease separated as to minimize dissemination of disease. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
10. A sign posted at the cage or isolation area when in use. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
11. All animals confined in primary enclosures or exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(7)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

1. Written program of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] - In Compliance

2. Veterinarian's written recommendations for correcting disease problem that persists for more than 30 days obtained and followed [02 NCAC 52J .0210(b)] - In Compliance
3. Daily observation of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
4. Sick or diseased, injured, lame, or blind dogs or cats provided with veterinary care [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
5. Diseased or deformed animals sold or adopted only under the policy set forth in the "Program of Veterinary Care." [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
6. All animals in a licensed or registered facility in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0301 VEHICLES

1. Vehicles mechanically sound. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Vehicles equipped to provide fresh air to animals without harmful drafts. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
3. The animal cargo space constructed and maintained to prevent engine exhaust fumes from getting to the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(b)] - Not Applicable
4. The interior of the animal cargo space kept clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(c)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0302 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED IN TRANSPORTING DOGS AND CATS

1. Primary enclosures constructed, ventilated and designed to protect the health and insure the safety of the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Such enclosures constructed or positioned so that:
 - o Each animal in the vehicle has sufficient fresh air for normal breathing. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(1)] - Not Applicable
 - o The openings of enclosures are easily accessible for emergency removals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(2)] - Not Applicable
 - o The animals are adequately protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(3)] - Not Applicable
3. The ambient temperature maintained between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
4. The animal containment units are equipped with operable air-conditioning, forced-air cooling and heating or other temperature control mechanisms. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Animals in the same primary enclosure are of the same species. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
6. Puppies or kittens less than 4 months of age not be transported in the same primary enclosures with adults other than their dams. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
7. Primary enclosures for transport large enough for each animal to turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit or lie down in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
8. Primary enclosures for transport secured to the vehicle to prevent sliding or tipping of the enclosure during transit. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
9. Animals not be placed in primary enclosure over other animals in transit unless such enclosure is constructed so as to prevent animal excreta from entering lower enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(d)] - Not Applicable
10. All primary enclosures for transport sanitized between use for shipments. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(e)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0303 FOOD AND WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. If animals are transported for more than 12 hours:
 - o The vehicles stop at least once every 12 hours for a period of 1 hour. During the 1-hour stop, potable water continuously provided for dogs and cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(1)] - Not Applicable
 - o Adult dogs and cats fed at least once during each 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - o Puppies and kittens less than 6 months of age fed every 6 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - o Dogs removed from the vehicle, given fresh water and given the opportunity for exercise if they have been confined in the vehicle for 36 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(3)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0304 CARE IN TRANSIT


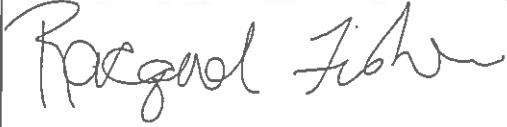
1. The attendant or driver inspects animals frequently enough to assure health and comfort and to determine if they need emergency care and to obtain it if needed. [02 NCAC 52J .0304] - Not Applicable

General Comments:

As noted during last inspection there has been very little improvement done since last inspection, many of the floors are still not sealed, doors and door frames still have exposed wood. This facility still has a strong odor. Owner states she has been busy and unable to address inadequacies but will have all completed within 45 days. This is the 3rd disapproval.

Inspection Result:

Disapproved

Inspector's Signature	Date
 Jay Blatche	02/06/2019
Facility Representative's Signature	Date
 Racquel Fisher	02/06/2019